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ZIONIST BODY PROCLAIMS \$1,500,000 PALESTINE EMERGENCY DRIVE

ZURICH, Switzerland, Aug. 31. (JTA)--Concluding its seven-day conference today, the World Zionist Organization actions committee proclaimed a world emergency campaign for \$1,500,000 to assure security in Palestine and continuation of upbuilding work. The drive was set for September and October.

At the same time, the committee made public a manifesto appealing to the conscience of Great Britain and the civilized world not to betray the hopes of the Jewish people for its national home.

The manifesto sharply criticizes the Palestine Government for its actions in the current disorders, declaring:

"The Palestine Government, by accepting criminal violence as a political argument, by permitting public order and the fundamental rights of the Jewish people under the League of Nations mandate to become objects of barter, has undermined the authority of the mandatory power.

"Its surrender to crime," the document continues, "together with the open sympathy with the terrorist aims shown by many Arab members of the administration, has shattered the confidence of the Jewish people in the Palestine Government."

Before the session closed, the leaders of all Zionist groups joined in an appeal on behalf of the emergency drive.

M. M. Ussishkin, world president of the Jewish National Fund, declared the extent to which the fund campaign was supported would prove the extent to which the Jews of the world were linked to their coreligionists in Palestine.

He said the funds raised would be used to strengthen Jewish political work and safety in Palestine, strengthen the Jewish economic position there, consolidate Jewish activities in colonization and navigation work and assist Jewish sufferers in the disorders.

A special committee of 19 Palestine members was appointed to formulate the Zionist attitude on the Royal Commission which is to investigate the disorders and act on other political issues that arise. The committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Ussishkin, will act in conjunction with the Zionist Executive. It comprises nine Laborites, three Mizrachists (members of the orthodox Zionist party), four General Zionists of Group "A", two General Zionists of Group "B", one member of the Jewish State Party and one representative of the Jewish National Council of Palestine.

The actions committee adopted a 1937 budget of \$1,250,000 for the Keren Hayesod, Palestine foundation fund. An income of \$1,500,000 is expected.

The Jewish Agency for Palestine is assigned \$1,250,000 of the budget, to be expended as follows:

Colonization purposes---\$410,000; education---\$100,000; immigration---\$185,000; labor department \$170,000; German-Jewish colonization---\$150,000 and political work---\$60,000.

WEIZMANN CONFERES WITH ORMSBY-GORE

LONDON, Aug. 31. (JTA)--Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, conferred at length this afternoon with Colonial Secretary William Ormsby-Gore on the Palestine disorders.

The conversation is believed to have been largely devoted to the expected suspension by Great Britain of Jewish immigration into the Holy Land.

While reports have been current that immigration would be suspended temporarily during the forthcoming Royal Commission investigation of the disorders, it is understood that no official decision on such action has yet been taken.

A meeting of the Cabinet on Wednesday is expected to discuss the entire Palestine situation and it is believed the question of immigration shutdown will be taken up then.

NURI PASHA NEGOTIATIONS SEEN BLOW TO BRITISH PRESTIGE

JERUSALEM, Aug. 31, (JTA)--Hebrew newspapers today interpreted as a blow to British prestige the results of mediation by Nuri Pasha as-Said, Iraq Foreign Minister, and the Arab Supreme Committee's manifesto ordering continuance of the general strike pending termination of the peace negotiations.

Interference by a foreign Arab factor, while Jews have been placed outside the negotiations, is assailed.

Pointing out that in the meantime Arab terrorism is continuing throughout the country, Davar, Laborite daily, warns the Jewish community against increased Arab attacks and urges preparedness.

GOGA VOICES ANTI-JEWISH THREATS AT RUMANIAN PARLEY

BUCHAREST, Aug. 31. (JTA)--Recently returned from what he described as a satisfactory trip to Germany, the notorious anti-Semitic leader Professor Octavius Goga today addressed a congress of his followers at Ciucea, Transylvania, and said:

"If I were to lift a finger, no stone would be left of the Jew-infected city of Czernowitz."

Prof. Goga announced he would soon bring to Bucharest an army of 200,000 Cuzist Blueshirts (Rumanian Nazis) to a special congress there, the purpose of which would be to demand power.

Prof. Goga's speech, made 24 hours after Premier Tatarescu's declaration that the reshuffled cabinet would end terrorism in Rumania, increased uneasiness in Jewish circles.

The National Peasants Party also held a conference today and adopted a resolution to "avenge with blood" Cuzist terroristic acts.

BRITISH TROOPS RECEIVE DEATH THREATS

JERUSALEM, (JTA)--British officers stationed here have received death-threat letters bearing the signature "Revolting Arab."

The letter, written in clumsy English, says in part:

"You British officers when Arabs speak to you privately, you always disapprove of the stupid policy of the Government and the High Commissioner in Palestine. You agree with us that we are being treated very unjustly. However, in your official capacity you follow the instructions of the High Commissioner and thus act contrary to your conscience and your statements to us.

"You know that the High Court has decided how nonsensical and illegal all activities of the Government and the High Commissioner are, and you are one of the members executing his policy.

"Beware. We are not going to remain on the hills and mountains and shoot people from there. We are coming into the towns and if you don't change your policy we are going to kill you."

The letter contains many allegations of cruelties perpetrated by British soldiers, including accusations of assaults on Arab women.

By the mention of the High Court, the writer of the letter referred to the recent invalidation by the Palestine Supreme Court of collective fines imposed on Arab towns.

FALASHA JEWS PLEDGE LOYALTY TO ITALY

ROME, Aug. 31. (JTA)--Leaders of the Falashas, Ethiopian Jews, have signified their loyalty to Italy by giving the oath of allegiance to Governor Pirzio Birolo, a communique published in the Italian newspapers announced today.

Governor Birolò is reported to have declared that the Government not only will allow the Falashas the same cultural freedom and respect given to other religious communities in Italian East Africa, but will also follow the progress of "this peaceful and industrious minority" with interest.

According to the communique, the District Governor of Gondar Province has ordered distribution of food among the poor Falashas of the district.

SPANISH REBELS CONTINUE ANTI-SEMITIC BROADCASTS

BARCELONA, Aug. 31. (JTA)--The rebel authorities are continuing anti-Jewish broadcasts from Seville, it was learned today.

Placards throughout the rebel-controlled city of Valladolid assail the Jews and advertise for sale volumes of the long discredited "Protocols of the Elders of Zion." Rebel headquarters in the city prominently display the placards.

In the town of Ceuta, Spanish Morocco, the rebel authorities have forced the Jewish community to contribute large sums of money.

MANCHESTER GUARDIAN WARNS OF DANGER TO MANDATE

LONDON, Aug. 31 (JTA)--A warning that Great Britain's toleration of pressure by Arab princes may result in their overthrow of the Palestine mandate was sounded in an editorial today by the Manchester Guardian.

The editorial criticized the "discrepancy" between the policy expressed by the government before Parliament and that "apparently pursued" in Palestine.

It pointed out that Parliament may soon have to declare whether it stands for the expressed policy of a Jewish National home in Palestine or if it is without any constructive plan for reconciling Arabs and Jews.

Urging Jews to present their case before the British Royal Commission, which has tentatively booked passage for Palestine in October, the editorial stigmatizes stoppage of Jewish immigration into the Holy Land as "a capital surrender."

AGUDATH ISRAEL PREPARED TO AID ROYAL COMMISSION

LONDON, Aug. 31 (JTA)--The first Jewish group to announce a definite policy towards the British Royal Commission, appointed last month to investigate disorders in Palestine, is the Agudath Israel, non-Zionist orthodox organization, which declared through its British council meeting here today that it was prepared to cooperate in principle.

H.A. Goodman, British Aguda leader, urged the council to consider the proposal made by I.M. Sieff, vice-president of the English Zionist Federation, for the appointment of an Arab-Jewish investigative

body to work independently of the Royal Commission and to be headed by an impartial expert. Mr. Sieff suggested Sir Flinders Petrie, noted Egyptologist, as chairman for such a committee.

HUNGARIAN ZIONISTS ASK BRITAIN NOT TO HALT IMMIGRATION

BUDAPEST, Aug. 31. (JTA)--The Executive of the Hungarian Zionist Federation today adopted a resolution appealing to Great Britain not to suspend immigration into Palestine.

ENDEKS DEMAND VOTE BE TAKEN FROM JEWS

LODZ, Poland, Aug. 31. (JTA)--Disenfranchisement of Jewish citizens was demanded today by the anti-Semitic National Democratic Party campaigning here in the municipal elections.

LATEST ZURICH NEWS

ZURICH, Aug. 31. (JTA)--The manifesto published by the Zionist actions committee declares that only the determination of the Jews not to be intimidated either by bloodshed or destruction prevented the complete collapse of all normal activities in Palestine.

"To suspend the Jewish right to emigrate to Palestine in accordance with the absorptive capacity of the country," the document warns, "would mean to endanger the mandate. It would be a cruel injustice to Jewry at a time when the cup of Jewish martyrdom already overflows."

Declaring the world cannot regard the suffering of the Jews with indifference nor repudiate its responsibility, the manifesto continues that it can not believe Great Britain can contemplate denial and repudiation of pledges given to the Jews.

The document appeals to the Jews of the world "for recognition of the tragedy of the Jews" and declares that while the national hopes of Jews are linked with Great Britain, it is Jewish will which will determine the issue and complete Jewish unity in a supreme national effort of individual sacrifice.

"The response of the Jewish people to this appeal," the manifesto states, "will determine the success of our struggle at this grave juncture."

The document, concluding with the statement that the Jews emerge stronger from every crisis, declares:

"We shall march onward to the fulfillment of the hope of Israel's restoration to its promised land."